Artwork to be Installed at Beverly Hills Gardens Lily Pond

Artist and Beverly High graduate Ed Massey was granted his wish when the City Council approved his request to place a temporary art exhibit in the Lily Pond located at Beverly Gardens Park.

The artwork will be a part of the Mayor's Business Open Later Days (B.O.L.D) initia-



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tive during the month of August. Portraits of Hope will provide the exhibit, a non-profit organization co-founded by Massey that works

with children and adults coping with physical health conditions.

The installed art pieces are colorful floating discs made of foam core and anchored with fishing line, netting, and aquarium rocks to stabilize movement. Although Portraits of Hope has worked on similar water-based projects in Los Angeles, the Lily Pond exhibit will be unique to Beverly Hills.

City staff conferred with Coral Reef, the service provider managing the health of the aquatic life in the City pond to confirm that the artwork wouldn't harm or interfere with the current aquatic life at the site.

The project does not pose any significant fiscal impacts and costs associated with installation and maintenance will be covered by Portraits of Hope.